

September \_\_\_\_, 2011

The Honorable Scott Walker  
Governor of Wisconsin  
P.O. Box 7863  
Madison, WI 53707

Dear Governor Walker:

A great deal of time and emphasis is being spent on keeping companies from leaving Wisconsin and attracting new businesses and jobs to our state. I understand you need jobs and good companies for a healthy economy. That's one reason I hope you'll help bring a major job creator to Wisconsin – the proposed Menominee casino and entertainment center in Kenosha.

I'm also a proud member of the Menominee Tribe. One element that makes the Kenosha project so important to me, personally, is the tremendous positive economic impact it would have on our Tribe, one of the largest and poorest in Wisconsin.

I greatly appreciate and respect your campaign promise to create strategies to bring 250,000 new jobs to the State of Wisconsin. I'm not sure you've ever had the opportunity to visit the Menominee Reservation here in Wisconsin, about 160 miles from Madison. But I can tell you that the poverty and struggles you likely remember from your time of service to the inner city Milwaukee are very much alive in Menominee County. We desperately need jobs and funding to teach our children, care for our people, build homes and feed our families – and the need is even greater as a result of the current recession.

Our Tribe's unmet needs are significant, and the Kenosha casino would go a long way in addressing them. Please help by asking the Obama Administration to review the Menominee proposal – which was wrongly dismissed in the waning days of the Bush Administration – and issue a new decision based on the law and what's right. Then, please approve the project yourself.

Governor Walker, you have the power to help make the casino happen and to help create new opportunities for an impoverished Wisconsin Tribe to become self-sufficient. I hope you'll use your authority to help our 8,551-plus members, most of whom call Wisconsin home.

Sincerely,

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MENOMINEE TRIBAL MEMBER